



## ANICC McMillan Specialist Cars Autotest Championship 2022

### Championship Regulations

#### 1.0 Sporting Regulations

- 1.1 The ANICC McMillan Specialist Cars Autotest Championship 2022 is promoted by the Association of Northern Ireland Car Clubs [ANICC] in accordance with the Regulations of the Motorsport UK and these regulations.
- 1.2 The Championship will be organised and administered by the ANICC Autotest Specialist Committee.
- 1.3 Motorsport UK Championship Permit 62/2022 has been issued for the Championship.
- 1.4 Any dispute regarding the interpretation of these regulations may be referred to a panel of Championship Stewards. The panel will consist of Nicky Moffitt, William Fullerton and Alan Elliott

#### 2.0 Competitor Eligibility

- 2.1 Any person holding a valid competition licence issued by the Motorsport UK or by Motorsport Ireland, and who additionally is a member of a recognised motor club within the ANICC or Motorsport Ireland is eligible to register for the Championship.
- 2.2 The Championship is open to drivers of "Expert" and "Semi-Expert" grades only.
- 2.3 Any query relating to driver eligibility will be resolved by the ANICC Autotest Specialist Committee

#### 3.0 Registration

- 3.1 Registration is Automatic for the Championship.
- 3.2 By entering, competitors agree to be bound by these regulations.
- 3.3 If required, all competitors must display a Championship decal (or decals) in a prominent and easily legible position on the exterior of their vehicle to be eligible to score points.
- 3.4 Registration will be taken per event on a levy basis.
- 3.5 Regulations are available on the ANICC website, <http://www.anicc.org.uk> and from the Championship Co-ordinator, Mark King, 19 Blackberry Lane, Newmills, Co Tyrone, BT71 4AZ  
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#### 4.0 Events

- 4.1 The Championship will consist of the following events:
 

05 March	Autotest Drivers' Club Limited
26 March	Ulster Automobile Club Limited
09 April	TBA
23 April	Larne Motor Club Limited
14 May	Enniskillen Motor Club Limited
28 May	Coleraine Motor Club Limited
11 June	Omagh Motor Club Limited
06 August	Dungannon Motor Club Limited
27 August	Coleraine Motor Club Limited
03 September	Autotest Drivers' Club Limited
24 September	Reserve Event [to replace any cancelled event earlier in the Championship]
- 4.2 Qualifying events must comply, in all respects, with the Northern Ireland Autotest Championship protocol, a copy of which is available to any organising club, on request, from the Championship Co-ordinator.
- 4.3 If a club cannot run its event on the appointed date, another club may organise an event on that date which, subject to ratification by the ANICC Autotest Specialist Committee, will count towards the Championship. If no qualifying event runs on a championship date, then the reserve event will form part of the Championship.

#### 5.0 Classes

- 5.1 The Championship shall consist of four classes, as follows:
  - Class A Front-wheel and Rear-wheel drive specials
  - Class B Rear-wheel drive sports cars and kit cars (manufacturer's defined wheelbase)
  - Class C Saloons under 11' 8" (3556 mm) in length (as defined in manufacturer's catalogue)
  - Class D Saloons of 11' 8" (3556 mm), or greater in length (as defined in manufacturer's catalogue)
- 5.2 Any query relating to class eligibility will be resolved by the ANICC Autotest Specialist Committee
- 5.3 Tyres from list 1b and 1c are not permitted on the driven wheels in any Championship round

## **6.0 Scoring**

- 6.1 Points may only be scored on an individual event by a properly registered competitor who has signed-on before the start of the event, and who completed at least 50% of the tests on that event.
- 6.2 Points will be awarded for an Overall Championship and towards a Class Championship
- 6.3 Points towards the Overall Championship will be scored on the basis that the first-placed competitor in the overall classification on each event will be awarded 30 points, second-placed will score 29 points and so on down to one point being awarded to the 30<sup>th</sup>-placed competitor.
- 6.4 Where three or more competitors in a class start an event, points towards the Class Championship will be scored on the basis that the first-placed competitor in the class will be awarded 10 points, second-placed will score 9 points and so on down to one point being awarded to the 10<sup>th</sup>-placed competitor.
- 6.5 Where only two competitors in a class start an event, points towards the Class Championship will be scored on the basis that the first-placed competitor in the class will be awarded 9 points and the second-placed will score 8 points.
- 6.6 Where only one competitor in a class starts an event, only 8 points will be scored towards the Class Championship, provided that competitor is classified as a finisher. Competitors will discard scores as follows:

Number of events run	Number of events to count
10	8
9	7
8	6
7	5
6	5
5	4
4	3
3	3
2	2
1	1

- 6.7 In the event of a tie in either Overall or Class Championships, the better score in a discarded round will be counted to resolve the tie. If a tie persists, the second-best discarded scores will counted until the tie is resolved. If a tie still persists, then the competitor who scored the greater number of points first will be deemed to be the winner.
- 6.8 On any Championship event, ties will be resolved by comparing total penalties accrued by each competitor after the first visit to each test site. If this fails to resolve the tie, then the total penalties accrued on the second visit to each test site will be considered, and so on until the tie is resolved.
- 6.9 Points will be allocated to registered competitors only. Non-registered competitors will neither score points, nor deprive registered competitors from scoring points at any Championship round.

## **7.0 Awards**

- 7.1 The following awards will be presented:
- Northern Ireland Autotest Champion [the competitor who finishes first in the Overall Championship] will receive the **Paddy Hopkirk Perpetual Trophy** & replica
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>-placed driver in the Overall Championship will receive a trophy
  - 3<sup>rd</sup>-placed driver in the Overall Championship will receive a trophy
  - Large Saloon Autotest Champion [the competitor who finishes first in the Class D Championship] will receive the **Noble Perpetual Trophy** & replica
  - Ladies' Autotest Champion [the female competitor who finishes highest in the Overall Championship] will receive a trophy
  - Semi-Expert Autotest Champion [the Semi-Expert competitor who finishes highest in the Overall Championship] will receive the **Patterson Perpetual Trophy** & replica
  - Class Championship awards – the drivers who finish 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in each Class will receive an award
- 7.2 Perpetual awards will be retained for eleven months and returned to the ANICC Secretary at the end of this period.
- 7.3 Perpetual awards must be maintained in good condition and their recipients will be responsible for their safekeeping.

## **8.0 Northern Ireland Team Selection**

- 8.1 Team selection will be made on the basis of the Overall Championship classification [see Article 6.3] as it stands 28 days before the event for which the team is to be selected.
- 8.2 A driver nominated for the team will be the person who has scored the most points in the Overall Championship in a vehicle, which is eligible for the event for which the team is to be selected. If no driver has qualified by right for selection to the team, the ANICC Autotest Specialist Committee reserves the sole right to nominate a competitor to the team.
- 8.3 All drivers who are selected for the team will be notified in writing and must confirm their acceptance in writing before the date specified in the letter of notification.
- 8.4 If a nominated driver is unable to compete in the event for which the team is to be selected, or if written acceptance is not received by the specified date, then the next best placed eligible driver will be nominated.
- 8.5 If less than three events have been held in the current year, the Overall Championship classification from the previous year will be used as the basis for team selection.
- 8.6 Any driver who is selected as a Northern Ireland team reserve may not represent any other team during the event for which he has been selected.
- 8.6 Any dispute regarding team selection will be resolved by decision of the ANICC Autotest Specialist Committee